SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES TOWN OFFICES COMMUNITY ROOM 25 BRYANTS LANE MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2005 6:00 P.M.

Member present: Selectman Jason Booth, Selectman Rich Lemoine, Selectman Kevin O'Connor, and Selectwoman Jacqueline Schnackertz. Selectwoman Karyn Puleo was absent because of a conflict in scheduling.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 P.M. The Board and staff were introduced.

#### I. CITIZENS' TIME

The Chair asked if there were any residents not on the agenda who wished to speak this evening. No one came forward.

### II. CORRESPONDENCE

Selectman O'Connor read the agenda as posted and the correspondence as submitted.

Motion by Selectman O'Connor to accept the 31 pieces of correspondence as submitted, second by Selectman Booth,

Vote – 4 in favor 1 absent 0 opposed the motion does carry.

### III. APPOINTMENTS

A. 6:05 P.M. Tax Classification Hearing

Motion by Selectman O'Connor to open the hearing, second by Selectman Booth,

Vote – 4 in favor 1 absent 0 opposed the motion does carry.

Selectman O'Connor read the legal notice that appeared in the local publication.

The Board welcomed the Assistant Assessor, Jeanne Kidder and the Assessor, Phil O'Brien. Ms. Kidder and Mr. O'Brien were in attendance to present the

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Fiscal 06 Tax Classification, Ms Kidder prepared a packet with all of the information needed for this evening's discussions. The Board along with Ms Kidder and Mr. O'Brien continued some dialogue concerning the classifications and how it affects the single family home owner. The Board is looking for more information and has asked if Ms. Kidder would be able to provide it for the next Selectmen's meeting on November 7th, Ms. Kidder says she will be able to put the information together for that time. Mr. O'Brien also wanted to speak to the Board about the tax exempt properties that could probably pay in lieu of taxes a sum of money. With the calculations the Assessors show that the exempt value is at least 149 million dollars that the town is losing. The Board did discuss the possibility of writing a letter and asking the entities to meet with the Board to discuss in lieu of taxes payment. The Board took this opportunity to recognize and thanked the Board of Assessors and the Assistant Assessor for their cooperation during the budget process, Ms Kidder was easy to work with and accomplished what the Board had set out to do. Thank you to Ms. Kidder and Mr. O'Brien.

Motion by Selectman O'Connor to continue the Tax Classification Hearing a date to be determined, second by Selectman Booth Vote – 4 in favor 1 absent 0 opposed the motion does carry.

# IV. ACTION/DISCUSSION

A. Approve Minutes of September 7, 2005; September 12, 2005; September 21, 2005; September 26, 2005; September 29, 2005 and October 17, 2005.

The Board received and reviewed the minutes of September 7, 2005; September 12, 2005; September 21, 2005; September 26, 2005; September 29, 2005 and October 17, 2005.

Motion by Selectman O'Connor to approve the Minutes of September 7, 2005; September 12, 2005; September 21, 2005; September 26, 2005; September 29, 2005 and October 17, 2005 as submitted, second by Selectman Booth, Vote – 4 in favor 1 absent 0 opposed the motion does carry

B. Economic Development Committee and Master Plan Implementation Committee

The Board discussed briefly the need to formalize the EDC and the MPIC. Selectman Lemoine will contact the members to meet within the next three weeks and to have the Master Plan Consultant and Bob Flynn from NMCOG

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to also attend the meeting. There is a \$50,000 grant that can be used to help the committee along. Selectman Schnackertz will speak to Selectwoman Puleo regarding the MPIC as she is the contact member for the Selectmen. All members were in agreement.

#### IV. SELECTMEN'S NOTES

The sub-committee will formalize the contract with the Town Administrator. The Board has received some correspondence from the Chief of Police referencing his re-organization of this department, the incidents at Roller Kingdom and the speed limit on Pawtucket Blvd. The Board will invite the Chief to attend the November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Board wants to ask Capt. Wes Russell to attend as well to discuss the Town's Emergency Preparedness Plan. The opening of the temp bridge is tentatively scheduled for November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11 AM. The delay was due to the rainy weather we are having.

### VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

# A. Litigation Strategy

Motion by Selectman O'Connor to enter into Executive Session to discuss litigation strategy associated with the ESBC and to return to open session to adjourn, second by Selectman Booth,

Roll Call Vote - Selectman Jason Booth, yes; Selectman Rich Lemoine, yes; Selectman Kevin O'Connor, yes; Selectwoman Karyn Puleo, absent; and Selectwoman Jacqueline Schnackertz, yes.

Selectmen entered into Executive Session at 7:20 P.M.

Motion by Selectman O'Connor to exit executive session and to return to open session to adjourn, second by Selectman Booth,

Roll Call Vote - Selectman Jason Booth, yes; Selectman Rich Lemoine, yes; Selectman Kevin O'Connor, yes; Selectwoman Karyn Puleo absent; and Selectwoman Jacqueline Schnackertz, yes.

Selectmen exited executive session at 8:15 P.M.

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# VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Selectman O'Connor to adjourn the meeting, second by Selectman Booth,

Vote – 4 in favor 1 absent 0 opposed the motion does carry.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Therese Gay, Admin Assist.